



Media Information

Columbus Division of Police
CAP Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: 4/4/18

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Ext:

Type of Offense/Incident: Threat Against a Police Officer

Date: 4/2/18

Time: 3:00pm

Location of Offense/Incident: City of Columbus

Zone: 2

Precinct: 9

Incident Report #: 180257871

Cruiser District: 90

Victim: Officer James Lafollette

Sex: M

Race: W

Age: 32

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Suspect: Cederic De Czar Cooley

Address: 41 S. Napoleon Ave.

43213

☒ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex: M

Race: B

Age: 20

Charges: Retaliation-ORC 2921.05 (A) F-3, 3 Traffic warrants (No ops, Driving under suspension, Speed)

Suspect:

Address:

☐ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Charges:

Incident Summary: On April 1st and 2nd the suspect, Cederic Cooley, made threats via Twitter and Facebook to do serious bodily harm to Officer James Lafollette. The threats were originally discovered by an analyst from the New York City Intelligence Unit and immediately sent to the Columbus Division of Police and confirmed by Criminal Analyst in the Crimes Against Persons Section. The account information and additional investigative information gathered by Detective Phillips confirmed the originator of these threats.

A warrant to arrest Cederic Cooley was filed by Det. Phillips on April 2nd. On April 3rd at approximately 11:10pm Cooley was arrested without incident at 41 S. Napoleon Ave. by CPD SWAT officers.

Officer Lafollette had recent law enforcement encounters with this suspect. He wrote multiple criminal charges against Cederic Cooley for violations during those encounters. This investigation has determined that Cederic Cooley intended to seriously harm the officer for discharging his lawful duties.

His arraignment is scheduled for tomorrow morning, April 5, 2018.

Any threat against a Columbus police officer is investigated by the Homicide Unit.

This investigation continues.

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Assignment: Homicide 2nd

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